

JAMES HENDERSON.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 79.]

MARCH 23, 1860.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on Claims, made the following

## REPORT.

*The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (No. 79) for the relief of John Henderson, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report :*

That the evidence is clear as to the services of claimant as cook at the marine barracks, navy yard, Washington. Captain H. B. Tyler, commanding marines at the navy yard, Washington, certifies that "the services as charged in the account have been performed, and were requisite for the public service." Captain Tyler also approved the claim June, 1854; but it was never paid, owing to a neglect on the part of the officer in not making a proper return to the department, according to regulations. Your committee do not think it reasonable or just that the cook, who discharged his duty faithfully, should be made to suffer through the neglect or inadvertence of his officer; they therefore report back the bill without amendment, and recommend its passage.

